The BOWLING GREEN K-KIDS started their holiday celebrations early with a Day of Holiday Service on Friday, December 12, 2008. Their day began with a toy drive collection for the John Theissen Children’s Foundation. This local organization provides holiday presents, birthday parties and wishes for sick and needy children. The school-wide toy drive was conducted in partnership with the Bowling Green Student Council and collected toys for over 50 children.

Following a photo-op and the packing up of the toys for delivery, the K-Kids rushed home from school and over to Carman Avenue for the CASA Holiday Tree lighting. The K-Kids shared the spirit of the holiday with their community and joyfully hung ornaments made during their club meeting.

After dinner, the K-Kids returned to school to meet Key Club members from W. Tresper Clarke and Division 6 for an evening of caroling. Led by K-Kids Faculty Advisor Rich Santer and Key Club Faculty Advisor Barbara Luvin, the K-Kids and Key Clubbers caroled to benefit the Kiwanis Pediatric Trauma Center (KPTC) at North Shore-LIJ. Through the generosity of the residents living near Bowling Green the K-Kids raised over $250 to support life saving work and trauma prevention education programs of KPTC.

The MAPLETON Kiwanians with the help of their children, wrap gifts in Roosevelt Mall to raise holiday funds for Merrick charities. Left to right, Savannah Rockwin, Jamie Rockwin, Nancy Feldis, Toni Marie Feldis, Justin Feldis and Hannah Feldis.

Mapleton Kiwanians hold their 8th Annual Kids Holiday Party for a local Battered Women’s Shelter. Lincoln High School Key Club donated their services to help set-up the party, play prize-winning games with kids and share this special day.